


**DEFENSE SUPPLY CENTER COLUMBUS (DSCC)
AND
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS (USACE)
PARTNERING AGREEMENT**

Mission Statement

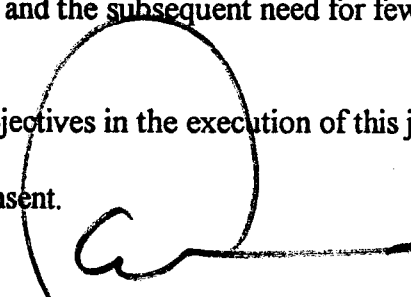
The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Defense Supply Center Columbus, seek through this agreement to achieve a partnership between our organizations. Our common purpose is to provide to the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers a reliable source of quality equipment and repair parts support anytime, world-wide, at the lowest possible cost, utilizing all available acquisition strategies.

THE PARTIES AGREE TO:

1. Strive to have USACE utilize DSCC as a prime source of construction, material handling equipment and repair parts support when it is advantageous.
2. Examine the acquisition strategy for major end items of equipment contracts to include the option for maintenance agreements.
3. Establish a continuing dialogue between the parties, at all levels and foster a problem-solving attitude to guarantee effective issue resolution.
4. Jointly explore methods to ensure that USACE personnel are aware of the various acquisition strategies and programs available, through DSCC, to supply end item equipment and repair parts, such as corporate contracts (National Automobile Parts Association (NAPA), J.I. Case, Komatsu, A. M. General); indefinite delivery type contracts (Contractor Operated Parts Depot (COPAD), Caterpillar, Detroit Diesel); and customer value contracts (John Deere, Liftking, Kovatch, Hyster).
5. Mutually provide a timely response to requests for data required to improve and support a customer/supplier relationship.
6. Collectively explore alternative methods to provide end item equipment and repair parts support to USACE.
7. Ensure that procurement requirements for major end items of equipment are submitted to the Procurement Coordination Committee (PCC) in a timely manner to assure delivery when required.
8. Concurrently improve USACE awareness of the monetary benefits of centralized procurement, standardized unit prices, reduced repair parts inventory, and the subsequent need for fewer specialized tools and test equipment.
9. Incorporate National Performance Review (NPR) objectives in the execution of this joint effort.
10. Make changes to this agreement only by mutual consent.


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